

PECFA FOLLOW-UP TO THE 50K MILESTONE AND INTEREST DEADLINE RAPIDLY APPROACHING

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The PECFA Claims section within the Department of Commerce, Environmental and Regulatory services division is actively soliciting Claims from owners of sites being remediated under the PECFA program. Owners were sent letters, February 26, 2004, requesting submittal of claims that met the \$50,000 (50K) milestone guidelines. The letters were followed up with a phone call from the Claims section requesting that owners submit the 50K claims. This process has not been successful and Commerce is now implementing a more aggressive approach.

Letters were sent on August 27, 2004 informing owners that claims in the above category must be received by January 3, 2005 (124 days for submittal) or interest costs, from January 4, 2005 until the date the claim is received, will not be eligible for reimbursement.

Sites that achieve conditional closure, are granted closure, or achieve a no further action status between August 27, 2004 and January 3, 2005, and have received the August 27, 2004 letter, will have 120 days, after conditional closure, to submit the claim without jeopardizing the interest.

All other sites that have been granted site closure or no further action status must submit a claim within 120 days after the receipt of that notification or interest after 60 days from that date will not be reimbursed.

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